



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

VAIL III ✓

Serial No.: 09/877,521 ✓

Filed: June 8, 2001 ✓

Atty. File No.: 4371-5-CON ✓

For: "DETERMINING RESISTIVITY OF A
FORMATION ADJACENT TO A BOREHOLE
HAVING CASING WITH AN APPARATUS
HAVING ALL CURRENT CONDUCTING
ELECTRODES WITHIN THE CASD WELL")

Group Art Unit: 2862)

Examiner: Snow, W.E.)

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME)

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Dear Sir:

Applicant, through his attorneys, respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of three (3) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on May 2, 2002, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from August 2, 2002, to November 2, 2002. The response is a continuation-in-part (CIP) application that is being filed concurrently with this time extension request, with a copy of this time extension request also being enclosed and which copy can be filed in the CIP application file having the application title "Determining Resistivity of a Formation Adjacent to a Borehole Having Casing Using Counter-Flowing Currents" and identified by Attorney File No. 4371-5-CON-CIP.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$920 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Respectfully submitted,

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